

# Rain Blamed In Air Crash Fatal to 12

## Multiple Inquiry Into Airplane Wreck Under Way in California.

OAKLAND, Calif., March 27.—Disturbances, causing poor visibility, were blamed by Varney Speed Lines officials for the crash of their transport which took 12 lives, injured two persons and reduced wreckage to smoking ruins.

A triple investigation of the crash was undertaken by federal, state and county authorities.

The plane, piloted by Noel Mann, former war pilot, and carrying as passengers Herman L. Brown, Hollywood hubber, and Miss Layde Miller of Los Angeles, started out of a winch-storm near San Francisco Saturday night, carried away by tops of two houses and crashed into the dwelling of Mr. and Mrs. Joseph Arisa with an explosion that was heard for miles.

### Trapped in Flames

The Arisa home, and an adjoining dwelling, sprayed with burning gas, burst into flames, trapping Mrs. Arisa, her four children, and four friends, all of whom died swiftly. Joseph Arisa, the father, escaped through a window so critically burned he was expected to die.

Victims, besides occupants of the plane, were Mrs. Arisa, her children, Anna, 10; Joseph, Jr., 6; Vincent, 4; and Juanita, one year, 8 months, and four neighbors, Tony Serrano, 29; Joseph Jeanmott, 8; his brother, George Jeanmott, 8; and Flores Fuentes, 17.

Franklin Rose, president of Varney Speed Lines, issued the following statement:

"The cause of the accident was due to an unusual and unforeseen condition of the weather that developed its intensity in the immediate locality of the accident, weather reports having been favorable over the entire route.

"The fire started after the plane struck the building. The fire has been in operation nearly two years, during which time approximately 200,000 miles have been flown and approximately 80,000 passengers carried without injury."

Rose pointed out that while this was one of the major aviation accidents on the coast, its severity was due to the loss of life of those on board.

In the home of Joseph Jordan, next door to the Arises, a dinner party was being given when the ship crashed from the sky. Mrs. Tony Jordan, a visitor, was struck on the head by a falling timber as the house collapsed.

Flames and pieces of fuselage shot in all directions. The motor of the plane ripped loose and tore through a tree in a neighboring orchard.

### Crowds Gather

Crowds gathered as skyrocketing flames illuminated the sparsely settled district, plunged into the darkness when the plane caromed through electric transmission wires and fell.

All available fire fighting apparatus was sent from San Leandro and Hayward, but the firemen were helpless. There were no fire hydrants in the unincorporated district and chemicals proved almost marailling.

The single motored low wing monoplane was en route from Los Angeles to the San Francisco bay airfield at Alameda.

Erans, the pilot, with hundreds of hours of flying to his credit, recently moved here from

# U. S. To Sell Seized Swiss Watches at Utica April 19

Swiss movement watches, seized by customs agents at Rouses Point December 8 last, because no duty had been paid on them, will be sold at public auction at Utica April 19. United States Deputy Marshal Earl has been advised. The watches are valued at \$10,924.

The seizure was the first made in this federal district since a special drive was started by government agents last fall to locate Swiss watches smuggled into this country.

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New York state farm families may find a great number of useful facts in anyone of the twenty-six farm study courses described in the new announcement of farm study courses. Four courses are listed concerning farm management, three about marketing, three deal with poultry; others are available to study fruit, vegetables, sheep hogs, soils, crops, and farm mechanics.

Los Angeles. He formerly was chief pilot of the old West Coast air mail line, operating between San Francisco and Seattle. His widow survives.

### Changes Mind, Escapes Death

Brown, a capitalist and builder, was en route here to a business conference. Mrs. Brown, who was to have accompanied him, said she changed her mind at the last minute because she had a premonition of danger.

Miss Miller, formerly a music writer in motion picture studios in Hollywood, had been unemployed recently.

Belief the crash ended a card game in the Arisa home was expressed by Tony Gonsales, who left the house only 10 minutes before.

Gonsales said he planned to go downtown to a show and invited the four others to go with him. Arisa, he said, was holding the baby, Juanita on his lap.

"It's a bad night," said Fuentes, referring to the rain. "Stick around—we'll start a game of pedro."

"I'm too tired to play—I'm going home," Gonsales said he rejoined, and left the house. He went to his own home a block away and was undressing when he heard the crash.

"It rained the night like lightning," he said, "and I heard windows crash near my house."

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# Suits Over Ore Rights Are Joined

## McLear Cases Consolidated and Trial Ordered in This County.

Consolidation has just been ordered by Supreme Court Justice E. W. C. Lawrence. Motion of the action brought by J. Herman McLear, Gouverneur, vs. the Sylvia Lake Company, Inc., Robert E. McLear, Herbert G. McLear, Howard A. Sperry, J. A. F. Beck and Genevieve McLear in St. Lawrence county, with the King's county suit brought by Robert E. McLear and Herbert G. McLear vs. the Sylvia Lake company. The order provides that the actions be filed in St. Lawrence county. It has been sent to the St. Lawrence county clerk's office for entry.

The actions involve mineral rights on the Balmat farm in the town of Fowler, St. Lawrence county.

The St. Lawrence county action brought by J. Herman McLear is to set aside deeds by the Sylvia Lake company of one-third interest, each, to Robert E. and Herbert G. McLear in the Balmat farm. It is alleged by the plaintiff that his two brothers, to whom the deeds were issued, own the majority of the Sylvia Lake company stock and through the other defendants alleged to be dummy directors, had the conveyances made to them as payment for services performed for the company. By the suit the plaintiff also asks judgment requiring his two brothers to return to the treasury of the company \$7,093.23 paid them for alleged disbursements in behalf of the company.

After this suit was started Robert E. and Herbert G. McLear brought action against the Sylvia Lake company in Kings county to recover a judgment of \$60,327.98 for legal services alleged to have been performed for the company in connection with the acquisition and establishment of title to the Balmat farm rights.

They claim their services were reasonably worth \$100,000 and that they had been paid \$39,672.02 on account.

At Canton an order to show cause why the two actions should not be consolidated and tried in St. Lawrence county was argued before Justice Lawrence March 10 and is just decided. This order to show cause was signed by Judge Henry J. Kinball March 3 on application of Attorney Francis E. Cullen in behalf of J. Herman McLear, Judge James C. Dolan, Gouverneur, represents Robert E. and Herbert G. McLear.

# Larger Number of Cheese Factories To Open This Year

Cheese factories in St. Lawrence county usually begin to open about April 1 and with that date near, it is probable that there will be a few more factories operating than last year. A well known cheese maker said yesterday that he did not think that the number that will open will be as large as expected a month ago, because, it appears, cheese is not holding out any great hope of an increased return to the farmer. Then, too, many of the factories have been out of operation so long that the expense would be heavy to start them again, particularly so, in view of the fact that operation might not be for more than one year.

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LEGAL NOTICE

**NOTICE TO ALL PERSONS HAVING CLAIMS AGAINST THE CITY**

All claims and contracts against the City of Ogdensburg, or any department thereof, or against the Board of Education of the City of Ogdensburg, relating to the fiscal year 1932-33, ending March 31, 1933, must be presented for payment on or before March 31st, 1933.

All claims must be sent to the City Clerk.

W. H. OWEN, City Clerk.

Dated March 24, 1933.

LEGAL NOTICE

## School Budget for 1933-1934.

Itemized estimate of the sums of money which the Board of Education of the City of Ogdensburg, N. Y., deems necessary for the purpose stated in Section 877 of the Education Law for the ensuing fiscal year 1933-1934, after crediting thereto the amount anticipated in the next apportionment of the school funds from the State, and the estimated amount to be received from all other sources.

1. GENERAL CONTROL (Regulative & Executive Service)	\$ 6,971.50
2. INSTRUCTIONAL SERVICE (Supervision & Teaching)	147,630.00
3. OPERATION OF SCHOOL PLANT	26,250.00
4. MAINTENANCE OF PLANT (Upkeep)	2,200.00
5. FIXED CHARGES	3.20
6. DEBT SERVICE	18.72
7. CAPITAL OUTLAY (Acquisition & Construction)	51,000.00
8. AUXILIARY AGENCIES & OTHER SUNDRY ACTIVITIES	5,535.00
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>\$211,099.42</b>

ESTIMATED INCOME:  
Estimated balance on hand, April 1, 1933 \$ 8,500.00  
Estimated State Aid 112,785.79

Estimated Amount to be raised by tax \$ 98,804.23

A Public hearing on the proposed budget will be held March 28 at Four o'clock P. M. in the Council Chamber for final consideration same.

W. H. OWEN, City Clerk.

# Senate Inquiry Is Seen For the Firm of Morgan

NEW YORK, March 27.—The final Bank and Trust committee of J. P. Morgan & Co., is scheduled for an early hearing in the Senate committee's probe of private bankers. It was indicated yesterday when it was learned that Thomas W. Lamont, Morgan partner, had been in conference last week with Ferdinand Pecora, committee counsel.

Although Pecora has declined to mention by name any of the houses under investigation, he admitted that the Morgan firm and Kuhn, Loeb & Co., come under the classification together with other firms that he described as "private bankers who make their own rules."

He insisted yesterday, however, that investigation of a private bank does not necessarily indicate irregularity in its affairs.

Pecora said he would go to Washington, D. C., Tuesday or Wednesday to make his report to Senator Duncan U. Fletcher, Chairman of the Senate committee on Banking and Currency.

At the same time he will place before the committee his findings in the case of Joseph W. Harriman, founder of the Harriman-Na-

tional Bank and Trust company who is under arrest for misappropriation of \$1,393,000 of his Depositors' funds.

Pecora's report will determine whether the investigation of United States Attorney's office three months' delay in prosecuting Harriman comes under scope of the committee.

Federal authorities will go before the grand jury and seek indictment of Harriman on charge that he made fourteen legal withdrawals from account of his bank's depositors.

Evidence to support the charge will be presented by United States Attorney George Z. Meade's staff, under orders from Washington, D. C.

The elderly banker, who was arrested and admitted to \$250,000 bail at his bedside nearly two weeks ago, will not be asked to appear at the hearing owing to the seriousness of his condition. He is suffering from a heart ailment which may prove fatal if he leaves his bed.

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